

LATEST THING IN SPRING STYLES



A negligee and cape of yellow crepe de chine and lace. The negligee skirt has a satin grille and a high waist line. The petticoat of featherbloom taffeta comes in a combination of colors and a great variety of designs. The skirts are particularly adapted to the new lines because of their soft fullness.

Weiss home, 421 Tyler street. The guests sat at a long table, which was decorated with Japanese baskets filled with flowers and white carnations. The place cards, which were given as favors, were hand decorated, and in one corner of each one was a photograph of Mr. Weiss, which was taken in 1885, just before he came to Kansas. In the living room were bouquets of American Beauty roses, the gift of friends to Mr. Weiss.

The guests invited were: Mr. Weiss, Mr. T. Sweet, Mr. P. L. Bonebrake, Mr. A. W. Kowles, Mr. J. W. Thurston, Mr. J. R. Mulvane, Mr. D. H. Forbes, Mr. William Henderson, Mr. Thomas Page, Mr. J. C. Wood, Mr. J. E. Frost, Governor Arthur Capner, John Sargent, Mr. J. M. Meade, Judge A. W. Dana, Mr. W. W. Mills, Mr. H. Crosby, Mr. P. M. Pelletier, Mr. J. A. Baker, Mr. A. L. Nichols, Mr. E. J. Whitaker, Mr. W. B. Whitton and Mr. Samuel Remington.

A party of Topeka people will attend the Russian Ballet in Kansas City Saturday night. The members of the party are Mrs. Arthur Capner, Mrs. Fred Freeman, Mrs. George Crawford, Mrs. D. W. Mulvane, Mrs. Frank Merriam, Mrs. Charles R. Thomas, Mrs. M. M. Hambleton, Isabelle Crawford and Eva Miller.

Mrs. Ivan Dibble will entertain her sewing club Friday afternoon. The meeting was to have been held at the home of Mrs. Walter Cannon, and the change in place of meeting is made on account of illness in Mrs. Cannon's family.

The Ideal Bridge-Luncheon club will meet with Mrs. E. E. Parr, 1314 Harrison street next Tuesday.

Miss Margaret Dolan entertained her sewing club today. The members are Miss Alice Hedges, Miss Gertrude Gray, Miss Winifred Hartley, Miss Mary Weightman, Miss Juliette Brown, Miss Polly Novack and Miss Dolan.

The Fillmore Street Whist club will meet Tuesday next week with Mrs. J. C. Harmon, at her home in Buchanan street.

The charity tea to be given by the Golden Rule club Friday afternoon will be held in the ladies' parlor of the Elks club at 2:30 o'clock. All friends who are interested are invited to attend. The tea will be given by some of the young musicians of the town, and afterward the women of the club will conduct a parcel post entertainment. The women in charge of the meeting are: Mrs. T. J. Ferguson, Mrs. George Platt, Mrs. B. A. Holland, Mrs. S. S. Rice, Mrs. Charles Bennett, Mrs. J. E. Watt.

An afternoon entertainment for the benefit of a fund for the care of the babies at the Protestant association was given by eight members of the Bay Nursery club, Mrs. H. H. St. John, Mrs. E. A. Baker, Mrs. E. J. Watt, J. W. Bailey, Mrs. Lyle Bailey, Mrs. L. Ransom, Mrs. G. R. Harris and Mrs. Frank Mitchell. The tea was given at the home of Mrs. E. J. Watt, at the midway at the World's fair. There were fortune telling booths that were generously patronized.

Miss Edith Enderton of Melvern is visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter A. Johnson.

Mrs. T. R. Paxton and Miss Mary Paxton will go to Kansas City Saturday to attend the Russian ballet.

Mrs. Monroe Winn Black of Oklahoma City, who has been the guest of Mrs. Frank Griggs the past few weeks, is now with her aunt, Mrs. Herbert, of Winfield.

There are 246 old-line insurance companies operating in Kansas and only twenty of that number have failed to five their annual reports with complete accuracy to the state superintendent of insurance.

A year ago today there were fifty reports still to be filed. The law requires that all such companies file an annual statement with the department not later than March 1. For each month's delay in the filing of the report the company is liable to a penalty of \$500.

Not only are all companies, foreign and domestic, appear to have been prospering the last year. Foreign companies are required to pay four per cent of their gross premiums collected in Kansas to the state. Domestic companies are required to pay in two per cent. The total receipts to date amount to \$273,000, compared with \$223,000 on this date a year ago.

DIED BY OWN HAND

R. E. Sheldon, Former Topekan, Suicide at Fort Scott.

Two-Year-Old Injury Caused Mental Aberration.

RELATIVES LIVE IN TOPEKA

Death of Sister-in-Law Postponed the Funeral.

Body Arrived in This City at Noon Today.

R. E. Sheldon, formerly of Topeka, died Tuesday evening at Fort Scott as a result of a self-inflicted bullet wound in the head. He was committed during an attack of mental aberration caused by an accident about two years ago in which Mr. Sheldon was badly injured. The body was brought to Topeka today for interment. Sheldon was 25 years old. He had lived in Topeka practically all of his life. Owed to a fall from a horse, he was injured in Pueblo, Colo., on Wednesday morning, the funeral arrangements were dropped and the body was brought immediately to Topeka.

Two years ago Russell Sheldon was working with a threshing outfit at Larned. A part of the machine broke and it was necessary to go to a neighboring town to replace the broken part. On the way back, while going at a high rate of speed, the machine jammed and turned over several times. Mr. Sheldon received a bad cut on the head among other injuries. Specialists subsequently told him that there was a clot of blood in the brain. This evidently was the cause of his suicide.

His wife and 7 weeks old baby were in the house at the time of his death. It is thought that two shots were fired but only one bullet could be found by the coroner. Mr. Sheldon had frequently suffered attacks with his head since the accident.

Mr. Sheldon had been in Topeka and several of his relatives live here. G. E. Sheldon of Topeka, a brother, went to Fort Scott on receiving news of the death and returned today with the body. Besides his wife and baby he is survived by his mother, Mrs. G. E. Sheldon, 1409 Harrison street; G. R. Sheldon, a brother, with whom the mother lives; and D. G. Sheldon of St. Joseph, another brother. Mr. Sheldon had been in the mercantile business since going to Fort Scott about a year ago from Kansas City.

BEST FEBRUARY HERE

Weather Report Shows Past Month Surpasses Any on Record.

The month just closed was as near ideal as any February on record in 22 years that the local weather record has been kept, according to the month's summary issued by the weather bureau.

The month was characterized by bright, warm weather and slight snow. The weather was the best of the month's weather.

For the first time this year came as near a break and the ground was covered with snow and ice most of the time, with a glistering coat of ice on all the trees and wires. This was followed by a week of rain, and then a sunny weather that is very rare this time of the year and temperatures were in the 40s and 50s.

The average temperature for the month as a whole was within a fraction of 3 degrees of normal. The highest temperature recorded was 56 degrees on the 21st and the lowest, 3 degrees below zero on the 2d. The ground was frozen every night but one.

For the first time in 15 years all the moisture obtained from the month fell as snow. The total amount of moisture obtained from the month was 1.13 inches below normal. The snowfall total of the month was the least since 1910 but only a few inches.

The snow was not more than 2.3 inches deep at any time but covered the ground for eight days. The snow was not so deep as it has been in the last week. Unpaved streets and sidewalks were almost impassable from the 8th to the 12th.

Fifteen days of the month were clear, 4 partly cloudy and 10 cloudy. The average wind velocity was 10 miles from the northwest.

AT THE THEATERS

At the Novelty.

The new program of vaudeville opening at the Novelty this afternoon runs largely to singing and musical offerings, although there is plenty of comedy interspersed. "A Musical Matinee" is a dainty musical act composed of five pretty girls and one boy. King and Harvey play the piano and sing both ballads and comedy songs in an entertaining manner. The Hot-dog troupe, headed by the hill with some new hair raising stunts in the gymnastic line, Marguerite Clayton and E. H. Calvert will appear in the afternoon. A photodrama "The Daughter of the City."

At the Hip.

Tonight the Oliver Playhouse presents James Boys in Missouri, a play that will give a chance to see a play of the life and death of Jesse James. This is a real plot and a story of unusually strong heart interest. It depicts faithfully, according to history, the life and death of Jesse James. This bill will run the balance of the week with a popular priced matinee tomorrow and Saturday.

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ONE MAN STAYED

Entire Verdun Population of 22,000 Evacuated.

City Hall Caretaker, Defying Cannon's Roar, Remained.

Paris, March 2.—M. Cousten, president of the chamber of commerce of Verdun, who has arrived in Paris, says that when the civilian population was ordered to leave the city last Friday, he was satisfied that the enemy's offensive was already checked.

"I had been able to see all the defensive precautions which were taken," added M. Cousten, "and was aware of the strength of the forces accumulated in the Verdun sector and, in consequence, was not at all alarmed by the complete early success of our arms."

"The importance of the German gas attack was exaggerated. I know all the points where the first phases of the battle occurred and can say that the exact advance of the Germans north of Verdun does not exceed four kilometers."

Other refugees who have been interviewed agree in stating that despite the terrific noise of the artillery fire and the lurid illumination of the sky during Friday and Saturday morning when they left, all were supremely confident in the superiority of their own army. They say that the only civilian left in Verdun on Sunday is the caretaker of the city hall.

The refugees were escorted by city firemen who with admirable devotion aided the tired mothers to carry their children. The only sign of worry or exasperation shown by the retreating residents of Verdun was when the customs employees inquired regarding the contents of their packages. Verdun's population is 22,000.

The refugees were greatly touched by the relief accorded to them on their arrival at the railroad station in Paris when a number of persons, including society women, offered to carry their baggage and help them to find their homes. The general optimism was reflected by the remark of one young man who, when queried about the occurrence of the battle, said: "I don't know, they have broken our windows but we shall return there soon with glaziers."

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HOW I DARKENED MY GRAY HAIR

Lady Gives Simple Home Recipe That She Used to Darken Her Gray Hair.

For years I tried to restore my gray hair to its natural color with the prepared eyes and stains, but none of them gave satisfaction and they were all expensive. I finally ran onto a simple recipe which I mixed at home that gives wonderful results. I gave the recipe, which is as follows, to a number of my friends, and they are all delighted with it. To 7 ozs. of water add a small box of Barbo Compound. Use every other day until the hair becomes the required shade, then every two weeks. It will not only darken the gray hair, but removes dandruff and scalp humors, and acts as a tonic to the hair. It is not sticky or greasy, does not rub off and does not color the scalp.—Advertisement.

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Those Topeka housekeepers who are often puzzled at how to make the deliciously appetizing "Minnesota" spaghetti at least twice each week.

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And, besides, "Minnesota" spaghetti is so easy to prepare and you make a big saving in household expenses if you serve it often. It costs only about one cent a dish, yet it is four times as nutritious as beefsteak.

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SECRET

By Bertha Hempstead

The College Alumnae club will meet Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Y. W. C. A. After the business meeting, a musical program will be given by members of the Washburn college faculty of the school of fine arts.

The program that has been arranged for the afternoon will be as follows: Cracovienne Fantastique Paierewski
Miss Hazel Wing.
Im Wunderschönen Monat Mai Schumann
Will Michael Singen Hildach
The Star Rogers
Miss Helen Houghston.
Caprice Sur Ails de Ballet Gluck-Saint Saens
Mr. Willoughby Bougton.
Lotus Blume Schumann
Marian Wurmchen Saint Saens
Volksliedchen Schumann
Mrs. Horace Whitehouse.
Rondo Capriccioso Saint Saens
Miss Helen Phillips.
(Piano accompaniment by Mr. Bougton.)

Mrs. and Mrs. J. F. Mitchell will give a dinner party tonight at their home for Mrs. R. L. Helcher of Chattanooga, and her little daughter, and for Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Borkin. Mrs. Belcher is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Borkin.

Mrs. D. G. Kline entertained guests this afternoon at her home, complimentary to Mrs. Clifford Gorman, of Galesburg, Ill., who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Campbell. The company included: Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. J. A. Cole, Mrs. Charles Barnes, Mrs. Richard Thomas, Mrs. J. E. Thomas, Mrs. Lewis Greenwood, Mrs. A. L. Rogers, Mrs. R. L. Bone, Mrs. Charles Bower, Mrs. R. L. Nelson, Mrs. L. R. Booth, Mrs. J. A. Stoner, Mrs. J. Heyn, Mrs. T. P. Moore, Mrs. S. Schlegel, Mrs. T. D. Moore, Mrs. S. C. Pettit, Mrs. O. S. Perkins, Mrs. Frank Grote, Mrs. Poorman, Mrs. F. Derby, Mrs. W. T. Newman, Mrs. Charles Vore, Mrs. C. A. Wolf, Mrs. W. R. Carrie, and Miss Myrtle Radcliffe.

Miss Blanche Batterkill entertained the following girls Wednesday night in celebration of her birthday anniversary. Miss Sarah Hazel Slaughter, Miss Alice Morehouse, Miss Doris Thompson, Miss Frances Dolan and Miss Lucille Smith.

All this talk about preparedness is as old as the United States. A Topeka woman, Mrs. George W. Reed, of Harrison street, has in her collection an original copy of an old New England newspaper that discussed preparation for war soon after the capture of the city of Independence. It contains the opinions of George Washington, printed immediately after he expressed them.

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Looking Backward In State Journal Society Column

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

Miss Helen Moon entertained her whist club last evening. Miss Mary Moon substituted for Miss Bessie Gibson, and Mr. Lu Bronson for Mr. Julius Weidling. The next meeting will be with Miss Mary Thompson two weeks from tonight.

The kindergarten board will meet tomorrow afternoon with the president, Mrs. T. E. Bowman. Mrs. Frank Crane entertained her whist club yesterday afternoon. Mrs. W. N. West substituted for Mrs. W. L. Tramp. Miss Ollie O'Brien for Miss Grace Weaver, and Miss Poulton for Mrs. Mary, but Mrs. Arthur Capner, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Speed Hughes and Miss Dieckriede played at the guest table.

Mrs. W. N. West entertained the E. O. S. A. club yesterday afternoon. The guests were Miss Rose, Mrs. Mary Towlebury, Miss O'Brien and Miss Warner.

At the last moment Mr. D. P. Elliott postponed his Cripple Creek trip.

Mrs. W. V. Birt left today for Mr. H. H. King's ranch at Dover. Mr. and Mrs. Austin Mulvane, of Mary, had come to Topeka to reside and will live on West Twelfth street, between Fillmore and Western avenues.

Mrs. A. L. Moore was able to be out after an attack of laryngitis. Miss Alice Healy is visiting in Chicago.

Roger W. Courant has returned from a week's visit in Oskaloosa, Iowa. Mrs. C. M. Gunther was married Wednesday, February 26, at the home of Rev. M. L. Thomas, in Tyler street. Mr. Gunther is an employee in the Mills-Adams dry goods store.

Colonial times. There is a handsome table, inlaid with ivory and decorated with gold leaf, that was imported from Italy as a gift to one of the founders of the colony. It also a straw bag brought from Africa to her mother by her father, who was a soldier in the Revolutionary war.

Among her dishes are some old willow ware pieces, and some cups and saucers that were made in the days of old. The cups were decorated with the stars and stripes of the American flag, and the tea was served from the saucers. She has kept a writing case and a little sewing outfit that her husband, the late Colonel Reed, carried all through the civil war.

Mrs. Reed has also a copy of the "Way of Independence," an edition in all destroyed except five copies, on account of a mistake in its printing. "The Golden Rule" is a little Colonial book that one of the typewriters who worked at the home of the shop, and where the translation reads: "They were the leaves together and made themselves apart." He wrote the word "breaches." One copy of the "Way of Independence" is in the Congressional library at Washington, and the other three are preserved in 73.

The newest color for the new spring suits is "rookie." It belongs to the "darker" family. It is a little different from the putty and sand shades of last year, and it is the "darker" in color.

They do tell the most extravagant stories about dye stuffs that you ever heard of. Mr. Herman Greenwood, who is just back from Europe, is of the opinion that he has seen a man in New York had in his possession a small supply of dye—only a few pounds in small packages. It was material that he had formerly sold by the barrel, at about 75 cents worth. Those few pounds were sold out at once that amounted up into the thousands of dollars. They were sold to cleaners and dyers who work for wealthy people. Shades simply had been made, and the material was to be used in small quantities. It could be bought at fabulous prices without reducing the purchaser to poverty. The dye was called "white season." And moreover, the prices are up on silks and velvets, and a whole lot of other things.

But the new styles are as pretty as can be, and they offer a great latitude of taste and selection. The spring fashions are most of them made with a flare at the hips, and the skirts are of conservative length. Checks are smart, especially in combinations with plain taffeta, either in a color to match or contrast.

The tailored hats get smarter every year. It seems to me that the feathered gown trimming that adorned the hat of the president's wife when she appeared in Topeka, promises to have a great vogue, and the flicre hats of shiny black straw are going to be popular. The Knox hats, with their narrow shades and high trim are stunning, and the Bancock sailor shapes are popular. The chin-chin, hats are high in favor.

Along with the pillow-slip style of skirts, the steepled, sinuous, slouching figure has gone out of fashion. The ruffles of the day are for the fluff girl, and they are doing excellent team work in their efforts to gladden the human eye.

Mrs. A. Burch was hostess at an informal luncheon today at her home in Tyler street.